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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR	)	Date: December 1, 2006
MANUFACTURING TUBULAR	)	
PACKS FILLED WITH A MATERIAL	)	
AS WELL AS TUBULAR PACK	)	
FILLED WITH A MATERIAL	)	

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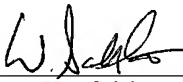
The document cited is discussed in the specification of the above-captioned application. Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosure of this document is believed to be required.

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